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THE GATHERING OF FIVE
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THE SENSATIONAL
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IN OVERDRIVE!

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SEVERAL WEEKS AGO...

KRIEZIER PRIVATE HOSPITAL, OYSTER BAY, LONG ISLAND --

-- WHERE A DESPONDENT **Dr. GREG HERD** SITS AT HIS YOUNG WIFE'S **BEDSIDE**, TALKING TO HER DESPITE HER INTRACTABLE **COMA** --

-- **BLAMING** HIMSELF FOR THE MULTITUDE OF **INJURIES** SHE SUSTAINED DURING THEIR ALL-TOO-BRIEF FORAY INTO THE PROFESSION OF **SUPER-POWERED MERCENARIES** --

-- AS THE CYBERNETICALLY-ENHANCED **AURA** AND **OVERRIDE!**

-- NEXT ON SPRINGER -- "EX-LOVERS RETURN FURNITURE!"

ANNIE..? HONEY..? I ... I NEED YOU TO COME **BACK.** SWEETIE. YOU KNOW HOW MUCH I WANT TO BE THE RIGHT KIND OF PERSON -- TO DO THE **RIGHT THING...**

BUT I NEED YOU **BACK...** TO GET ME BACK **ON TRACK!** I'VE ALREADY HAD TO DO SOME...I'M WORKING FOR **Mr. OSBORN,** WHO'S PAYING FOR ALL OF THIS, BUT...

... I'VE **CROSSED** SOME **LINES**...DONE SOME **BAD THINGS...**

...MAYBE THE **WORST** WAS LETTING **YOU** GET INVOLVED IN THIS IN THE **FIRST PLACE!**

WHAT WAS I **THINKING,** PUTTING YOU IN THE MIDDLE OF THAT **FIGHT..?!** THAT HORRIBLE MOMENT, WHEN I REALIZED THAT PULSE OF **LASER FIRE** ... GOT INSIDE YOUR **FORCE FIELD**... **RICOCHETED...**

... TEARING YOU **UP**... LEAVING YOU...

... THIS IS NO WAY TO LIVE...

AND THERE'S ***NOTHING*** I CAN DO TO MAKE YOU ***BETTER***... I FEEL SO...***HELPLESS***... ***POWERLESS***...

ALL ***I*** HAVE IS THE POWER TO OVERRIDE... ANY...

... MACHINE..?!

I'M SORRY, HONEY...

... SORRY FOR EVEN ***THINKING*** THAT...

... I'M JUST SO ***TIRED***..!

erm...

grg..?

ANNIE..?!

OMIGOD! ANNIE?!

Oh, ANNIE! THANKGOD THANK GOD THANKGOD THANKGOD! YES! YES. YES...

SENSATIONAL Stan Lee presents: SPIDER-MAN

THE GATHERING OF FIVE
PART FIVE
Gifts

TODAY...

...THE HOME OF PETER AND MARY JANE PARKER...

Oh! NO NO No!

THE ROOF'S LEAKING AND ALL MY STUFF'S GETTING SOAKED!

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FIRST THINGS FIRST -- GOTTA USE MY *WEB-SHOOTERS* --

THWIP

-- TO THROW A *PATCH* UP THERE!

THAT OUGHTA *HOLD* IT --

THWIP

-- AT LEAST FOR A *WHILE*...

PETER -- WHAT'S THE -- *Oh. NO!* THE *ROOF'S* LEAKING AGAIN..?

YEAH. NOT *TOO BAD* THIS TIME THOUGH... I'LL GET THE *BUCKETS*.

NOTHING GOT *REALLY* WET...

Oh, *MAN!* ALL MY OLD *PHOTOS* -- SHOTS THAT I SOLD TO JONAH DOWN AT THE BUGLE -- FROM MY EARLY DAYS AS *SPIDER-MAN*...

... THEY'RE *DRENCHED!*

BOY, THOSE WERE THE DAYS! SEEMS LIKE *JONAH* HAD A LOT LESS TO WORRY ABOUT BACK THEN.

HE SPENT SO MUCH TIME *VILIFYING* SPIDEY IN HIS *EDITORIALS*... AND HE'D ALWAYS NEED A GOOD *PICTURE* TO GO ALONG WITH HIS *TIRADE!* IF HE ONLY *KNEW*..!

WELL, AT LEAST THEY'RE NOT *COMPLETELY* DESTROYED. I CAN DRY THESE OUT -- *FLATTEN* THEM, AND...

J. JONAH JAMESON -- PUBLISHER/EDITOR OF THE NEW YORK DAILY BUGLE -- AND PETER'S EMPLOYER! – Repairin' Ralf.

... JUST SOME OF MY OLD PICTURES.

SOME OF MY OLD PRINTS ARE IN HERE *TOO*...FROM WHEN I WAS *MODELING*...

...Oh, THESE ARE *GREAT* -- I *LOVED* THIS SHOOT!

VERY HOT!

I *TOLD* YOU, DIDN'T I, THAT *RYAN SAWYER* CALLED THE OTHER DAY...?

HE SAID THAT SOME OF THE *BIGGER CLIENTS* EXPRESSED SOME *REAL INTEREST* IN MY GETTING *BACK* INTO THE BUSINESS...

...Y'KNOW...?

I WAS THINKING THAT *MAYBE* I MIGHT CALL HIM *BACK* -- SEE WHAT KIND OF *JOBS* HE COULD *GET*...

Hmm, SOME OF THESE GAMES GOT *SPLASHED*... HEY, I HAVEN'T PLAYED *THIS* SINCE...

THE GAME OF LIFE

SORRY

IT MIGHT BE...FUN...

...SO...Uh...WHAT WOULD YOU THINK OF *THAT?* IT WOULD HELP US GET AHEAD -- *FIX* UP SOME OF THE THINGS THAT ALWAYS SEEM TO BE *BREAKING* AROUND HERE --

...I DON'T HAVE *CLUE*...?!

SPLOTT

-- LIKE THIS *ROOF!*

AND WE WOULDN'T HAVE TO KEEP *BORROWING* FROM *AUNT ANNA*...

BUT, MARY JANE, WHAT ABOUT *SCHOOL?* YOU'RE DOING SO WELL AND YOU WERE THE ONE WHO WAS SO EXCITED ABOUT *GOING BACK...*

WELL...

...I GUESS I'D HAVE TO... *QUIT* SCHOOL...

MJ, YOU DON'T *NEED* TO DO THAT... WE'LL BE *FINE!* SURE, THINGS ARE *TIGHT* RIGHT NOW, BUT YOU DON'T HAVE TO SACRIFICE YOUR *EDUCATION* FOR --

...BUT... PETER...

...EVEN SCHOOL *ITSELF* IS REALLY EXPENSIVE! I MEAN, JUST THE *BOOKS* FOR MY NEW PSYCH COURSE RUN ABOUT *$300!* AND...

...AND...PETER... I THINK I *WANT* --

HONEY, *RELAX!* DON'T *WORRY* ABOUT IT! THAT'S *MY* JOB, *REMEMBER?*

IT'LL ALL BE FINE -- TRUST ME. WE'VE GOTTEN THROUGH MUCH, MUCH WORSE BEFORE, HAVEN'T WE...?

-- YEAH, BUT...

...BUT WHY CAN'T I JUST COME OUT AND TELL PETER THAT I *WANT* TO MODEL AGAIN? BECAUSE I DON'T WANT TO *DISAPPOINT* HIM. BECAUSE I DON'T WANT TO BE *SELFISH. MARRIAGE* IS A *COMPROMISE...*

...AND SOMETIMES, FOR THE SAKE OF THE RELATIONSHIP, WE HAVE TO *SACRIFICE* WHAT WE REALLY WANT...

annie -
My Wife,
My Heart.
I love you
- Greg

I'M *TELLING* YOU, ANNIE... YOU'VE GOTTA HAVE *HOPE!*

THIS *GATHERING OF FIVE* THING THAT *NORMAN'S* LET ME INTO, IT'LL BE THE *ANSWER* TO ALL OUR *PROBLEMS!*

THE WAY *I* SEE IT, NO MATTER *WHICH* OF THESE *'GIFTS'* I RECEIVE, ANY *ONE* OF THEM WILL BE ABLE TO *CURE* YOU -- TO *HEAL* YOU! HOW COULD IT *NOT?!* WE'VE ALREADY HAD OUR SHARE OF... *MISFORTUNE*...

...WE'VE JUST GOTTA HAVE *FAITH...!*

WE NEED TO GET A LITTLE LIGHT IN HERE, HONEY...

NOT TOO MUCH, GREG -- I DON'T LIKE THE --

THERE. HOW'S THAT? IT'S RAINING, BUT --

-- THAT BRIGHTENS THINGS UP, DOESN'T IT?

GREG, I...

...IT JUST HURTS SO MUCH...

...I CAN'T MOVE, I NEED THESE...MACHINES TO KEEP ME ALIVE, TO REPLACE ALL OF THE...ORGANS I LOST...I DON'T WANT TO LIVE LIKE THIS! I JUST WISH I COULD --

ANNIE, **NO.** YOU HAVE TO **HOLD ON,** YOU HAVE TO **TRY!** THINGS WILL BE **BETTER,** I **PROMISE** YOU THEY WILL... JUST...THIS'LL WORK...

...PLEASE...

...I...I LOVE YOU SO MUCH...I DON'T THINK I COULD LIVE **WITHOUT** YOU...

SHORTLY, OUTSIDE THE HOSPITAL --

I DIDN'T TELL ANNIE **ALL** ABOUT THE GATHERING -- THE **RISKS** -- HOW **COULD** I...?

...I'M TRYING TO GIVE HER **HOPE** -- A REASON TO **LIVE!** SHE DOESN'T NEED TO KNOW THAT THE **RULES OF THE RITUAL** IMPLY THAT I **COULD** END UP WITH **NOTHING...**

...OR **WORSE...!**

BUT SHE **HAS** NO HOPE. IN HER OWN MIND, SHE'S ALREADY **GONE** -- WITH NO DESIRE TO GO ON LIVING...!

BUT I **WON'T** ACCEPT THAT! NOT **YET!** AND IF BY CHANCE THE GATHERING **DOESN'T** GRANT ME ONE OF THE GIFTS I **NEED...**

...THEN I'VE GOT TO MAKE SOME **PREPARATIONS** -- SEE TO IT THAT ANNIE IS **WELL PROVIDED FOR** -- FINANCIALLY **AND** MEDICALLY --

-- JUST IN CASE THE **GATHERING** SHOULD GO... **WRONG!**

LATER THAT DAY, SEVERAL STORIES ABOVE THE RAIN-SLICKED MANHATTAN STREETS --

MAN, I WASN'T **KIDDING** WHEN I TOLD MARY JANE THAT IT'S **MY** JOB TO DO THE WORRYING..!

I TRIED TO PLAY IT **COOL AND RELAXED** TO EASE HER FEARS AND WORRIES, BUT SINCE WE TALKED ABOUT IT THIS **MORNING**...

THWIP

... NOW I JUST CAN'T STOP **THINKING** ABOUT IT!

MONEY **HAS** BEEN TIGHT LATELY, AND IT SEEMS LIKE THERE'S ALWAYS SOMETHING NEW THAT NEEDS TO BE **FIXED** OR **PAID FOR**, BUT WE **ALWAYS** MANAGE TO **GET BY**...

I CAN ALWAYS RUSTLE UP SOME EXTRA **'ACTION'** PHOTOS TO SELL TO THE BUGLE... AND **THAT'S** WHAT I MEAN TO DO **RIGHT NOW!**

IF I CAN USE MY **SPIDER-SENSE** TO HOME IN ON SOME **HUMAN INTEREST STORY** ON THIS **WET WET** NEW YORK DAY, THEN **MAYBE** I CAN SURPRISE MJ WITH THOSE **BOOKS** SHE'S SO WORRIED ABOUT AND --

THWAT

Uh-Oh...

BAD ANGLE - WET SURFACE -- SLICK WITH RAIN... I THINK...

.....**YUP**, I'M **FALLING.**

NOT A PROBLEM FOR **THIS** SPIDER THOUGH...

I GIVE IT A **9.8** FOR **GRACE** AND **AGILITY**..!

NOW IF IT WAS JUST THAT SIMPLE TO TAKE CARE OF MY --

-- FINANCIAL WOE --

-- WHOA!

THERE, PETER -- REMEMBER *THAT* SCENE THE NEXT TIME YOU'RE FEELING SORRY FOR YOURSELF...!

SEVENTEEN SOGGY MINUTES LATER --

THERE'S JUST WHAT I'VE BEEN *LOOKING FOR...!*

*YIKES! LOOKS LIKE SOMEBODY WANTED TO MAKE A **DEPOSIT** AT THE BANK... AND USED AN **ARMORED CAR** TO DO IT! DOESN'T LOOK LIKE ANYBODY GOT **HURT** THOUGH, WHICH IS **COOL**...!*

*HADDA BE SOMEBODY WITH A LITTLE **MUSCLE** TO ACCOMPLISH SOMETHING LIKE **THAT!***

PLEASE DON'T LET IT BE THE HULK.

OR THE RHINO.

OR JUGGERNAUT.

BANK

WELL, TIME TO GET MY *HANDY MINI SPIDEY CAM* AND GRAB A FEW *PICS* FOR THE *PAPER...*

...MAYBE A SHOT LIKE THIS WILL PAY ENOUGH FOR ONE OF MJ'S PSYCH BOOKS...!

EMPIRE STATE UNIVERSITY.

REGISTRATION

I FEEL SO *GUILTY* DOING THIS -- MAKING THIS *DECISION* EVEN THOUGH PETER WAS LESS THAN *THRILLED* WITH THE IDEA...

...I KEEP TRYING TO *CONVINCE* MYSELF THAT I'M DOING THIS FOR *US* -- FOR *PETER* -- THAT IF WE CAN ELIMINATE OUR *MONEY PROBLEMS*, MAYBE HE CAN *RELAX* A LITTLE --

-- AND NOT FEEL LIKE HE ALWAYS HAS TO BE SO...*RESPONSIBLE*...!

BUT THAT'S ONLY *HALF*-TRUE, ISN'T IT...?

I'M DOING THIS BECAUSE I *WANT* TO MODEL AGAIN! I *MISS* THAT LIFE -- THE *FUN* AND THE *EXCITEMENT!*

I'M JUST AFRAID THAT PETER MIGHT THINK --

MARY JANE PARKER?

WHAT CAN I DO FOR YOU *TODAY?*

YES, WELL...I GUESS I...

...I'D LIKE TO *WITHDRAW* FROM *ALL* OF MY CLASSES.

...I'VE NEVER BEEN ONE TO ***COMPLAIN***... BUT THIS IS...

...IT'S JUST SO... ***HARD.***

THE PAIN...I'M...PARALYZED... FROM THE CHEST DOWN, SEVERELY...***SCARRED*** FROM THE...BURNS, THESE... ***MACHINES***...

...MY ***BODY***...MY ENTIRE ***LIFE***...HAVE BEEN DESTROYED...!

I HATE ***LIVING***...LIKE THIS! EVERY DAY, I'M...TRAPPED HERE, WITH NOTHING TO LOOK FORWARD TO, BUT...A LIFETIME OF ***MISERY***...OF BEING A BURDEN...ON ***GREG***...

...THIS MUST ALL BE SO EXPENSIVE. I CAN SEE IT IN HIS ***EYES***...HE'S CONSTANTLY WORRYING ABOUT ME...ABOUT MY CARE...BUT IT WOULD BE BETTER... FOR ***HIM***...HIS LIFE... IF I WERE...

...I KNOW IT'S HARD TO UNDERSTAND... BUT...YOU...YOU ***WILL*** HELP ME...

...***WON'T*** YOU...?

ACTUALLY, MY DEAR, I UNDERSTAND BETTER THAN YOU ***KNOW.*** I WAS VERY ***NEAR*** YOUR SITUATION ONCE ***MYSELF.***

AND I ***FEEL*** YOUR ***PAIN***...

...I ***URGE*** YOU, HOWEVER, TO GIVE YOUR DECISION ***ONE LAST CONSIDERATION,*** A FEW MORE ***DAYS,*** TO BE CERTAIN... AND IF AT THAT TIME YOU ***STILL*** FEEL AS YOU DO ***NOW***...

...I WILL ***HONOR*** YOUR REQUEST...

...I WILL ***BRING YOU*** PEACE.

MIDTOWN...

FROM WHAT I WAS ABLE TO ***OVERHEAR,*** IT SOUNDS LIKE SOME GUY IN A SUPERSUIT ***POINTED*** AT THE ARMORED TRUCK AND MADE IT PULL A ***'LOUIE'*** ACROSS TRAFFIC AND ***INTO THE FRONT*** OF THE ***BUILDING!***

AND IF I DIDN'T ***KNOW*** ANY BETTER, I'D SAY THE DESCRIPTION OF THOSE ***POWERS*** SOUND AN AWFUL LOT LIKE --

-- ***DING DING DING DING!*** SPIDER-SENSE SAYS ***YOU'RE*** A ***WINNER*** --

-- THE ANSWER IS **OVERRIDE!!**

AND AFTER THE WAY HE ***DITCHED ME*** ON OUR ***LAST 'DATE'***[*]...

" IT'LL BE NICE TO HAVE A CHANCE TO MAKE UP FOR... ***LOST TIME!!"***

GOTTA KEEP MOVING! I MUST'VE MADE OFF WITH TWENTY MILLION ***EASY...!*** CAN'T BE STOPPED ***NOW!*** I WON'T LET ***ANYTHING*** GET IN MY WAY!

CLEAR A ***PATH*** --

HEY, YA ***LOUSY*** --

[*] SEE LAST ISSUE FOR THAT TALE OF TECHNOMANCER TERROR – Ter-Ralf.

HEY! DA BRAKES!

TUNK

CHUNK

ERRRRT

SKREECH

SPIDER-MAN?!

GREAT. LIKE I NEED THAT...!

HE *SPOTTED* ME! AND NOW HE THINKS THAT HE CAN *LOSE ME* BY DUCKING INTO THAT *HOTEL*...?

...I DON'T *THINK* SO!

OH, LOOOO-CY! COME BACK HERE!

-- YOO GOT SOME *'SPLAININ'* TO DO!

GOTTA MAKE THE *ELEVATORS* --

CYBERNETICALLY *CLOSE* THE DOORS --

-- COME ON! *CLOSE CLOSE CLOSE*--

YES!

NO!

DIDN'T MAKE IT! BUT WHERE'S HE GOIN'?! Oh, PLEASE LET IT BE THE ROOF... 'CAUSE IF HE'S GETTIN' OFF ***THERE***...

"...THEN THAT BOY IS ***MINE!***"

MAY HAVE CAUSED MYSELF SOME ***SERIOUS TROUBLE*** HERE...GOT SO ***PANICKED*** WHEN I SAW ***SPIDER-MAN*** ON MY TAIL, I STARTED ***RUNNING BLIND!***

HOPE I CAN ***FIND*** SOMETHING UP HERE THAT I CAN ***USE***...

OF COURSE, SINCE I ***LOCKED DOWN*** THE ***OTHER*** ELEVATOR CAR, AND STALLED ***THIS ONE*** AT THE ***TOP*** --

"-- HOW ***FAST*** COULD HE REALLY ***GET UP HERE...?***"

BUT WHERE WERE THEY GO-ING -- WITHOUT EVER KNOW-ING THE WAAAY?!

THAT'S IT... I'VE SCREWED MYSELF!

I'M ***TRAPPED*** UP HERE!

AND THERE'S NOTHING HERE FOR ME TO ***'OVERRIDE'***... MAYBE I CAN GET BACK ON THE ***ELEVATOR*** AND--

GOTCHA!

OKAY -- ***REMEMBER:*** HE CAN OVERRIDE ANYTHING ***MECHANICAL***...NO WEB-SHOOTERS, NO WEB-SHOOTERS... RIGHT.

HOPEFULLY -- IF I CAN SCORE A NICE SHOT OF SPIDEY TAKING DOWN ***OVERRIDE*** -- I CAN GET JONAH TO COUGH UP ENOUGH ***GREEN*** TO PAY FOR ***ALL*** OF MJ'S BOOKS...

...YEAH, AND MAYBE MONKEYS WILL FLY OUT OF --

LOOKS TO ME, PAL, LIKE YOU RAN OUTTA ROOF...!

Huh?! SP --

AND SINCE YOU'RE HAVING TROUBLE WITH THAT LAST STEP -- LET ME GIVE YOU A HAND...!

Ahhh! NO! WHAT ARE YOU --

TUNK

--DOOOMNGG--?!

THWIP

THWAP

YOU THOUGHT I WAS GONNA LET YOU FALL, DIDN'T YA?

C'MON -- ADMIT IT...!

I'D ALSO LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO POINT OUT --

-- THAT NOW PROBABLY WOULDN'T BE A GOOD TIME TO OVERRIDE MY WEB-SHOOTERS...

...Y'KNOW...?

SHORTLY --

THERE YA GO, GUYS -- ONE BAD GUY AND --

YEAH. WE'LL TAKE IT FROM HERE.

-- *WAIT* A MINUTE! BE *CAREFUL* WITH HIM! HE CAN --

SURE, SURE. WHATEVER YOU SAY.

-- BUT... WELL...

...HEY! HOLD *ON* A SEC! WEREN'T THERE *TWO* --

HEY! WE *GOT* IT, *OKAY...?*

MAN -- HOW DO YA LIKE *THAT?!* NOT EVEN A *'THANK YOU'*...

...AND HERE I THOUGHT I WAS DOING SOMETHING *RIGHT...?* Ah, WELL...

...AT LEAST I GOT SOME NICE SHOTS FOR THE BUGLE...!

HE NEW YORK DAILY BUGLE WEDNE

Photo by Peter Parker

Snagged? Masked Vigilante Spider-man manages to apprehend costumed Bank Robber it a short while later, allowing felon to escape could be turned over to the authorities. vealed a spokesperson for the 25th Precinct. These ilantes are just a

Annie
My Wife,
My Heart.
I love you
- Greg

-- COPS WASTED SO MUCH *TIME* THAT EVENTUALLY, THE WEBBING *DISSOLVED!* FROM THERE IT WAS JUST CHILD'S PLAY --

-- TO OVERRIDE THE CAR'S *ACCELERATOR* AND *STEERING COLUMN* AND *CRASH* IT! I POPPED MY *DOOR* AT THE LAST MINUTE AND *ROLLED OUT*...

...THEN, I WENT BACK AND *'FIXED'* THE BROKEN ELEVATOR, AND THE *MONEY* WAS *STILL THERE!*

WE'VE *GOT IT*, ANNIE! ALL THE *MONEY* WE COULD EVER *NEED!*

SO, *SEE*...NOW YOU'VE *GOTTA* PULL THROUGH! YOU'VE GOTTA HAVE *FAITH!* ONCE YOU'RE *BETTER*, WE CAN BUY THAT HOUSE UP IN *St. REMY* AND PUT ALL THIS *DARK UGLINESS* BEHIND US!

WE CAN *MAKE IT*, ANNIE! WE CAN --

PLEASE, ANN...

...I NEED YOU...

...I'VE DONE SOME THINGS THAT... I'M NOT PROUD OF...THAT... THAT I HATED...

...THIS IS ALL FOR US, HONEY...I'M...

...I'M NO GOOD WITHOUT YOU...

...YOU'VE GOTTA COME BACK, BABY...

...YOU'VE GOTTA HOLD ON...

THE NEXT DAY --

PETER...? ARE YOU *UP HERE?*

JEEZ -- IT'S THE *WIFE...!*

YEAH... LIKE I'M NOT HAPPY TO SEE *HER...!* TOUGH ON THE EYES, SHE *AIN'T!*

ALLEZ --

-- *OOP!*

TA DA! PETER PARKER, ROOF REPAIR, AT YOUR *SERVICE,* LADY!

Ohh! HEY! PETER, DON'T *DO* THAT!

WHERE YA *BEEN?* I THOUGHT YOU WERE *DONE* WITH CLASSES *EARLY* TODAY...?

Oh, Um... I...

...Um... Oh...

...PETER, THERE'S...

WAIT! NEVER MIND!

I'VE GOT SOME-THING I WANT TO TELL YOU FIRST...!

WELL, MAYBE NOT SO MUCH TO ***TELL*** YOU...

...AS ***SHOW*** YOU!

I GOT SOME ***NICE SHOTS*** AND WRESTLED A LITTLE ***EXTRA MONEY*** OUT OF JONAH YESTERDAY, AND... WELL...

...HERE!

THE PSYCHOLOGY OF GIVING

Oh. MY...PSYCH BOOKS...

...GREAT.

YEAH! I KNEW HOW WORRIED YOU WERE ABOUT THE MONEY AND --

-- AND YOU'RE NOT HAPPY...WHAT'S THE MATTER...?

PETER -- THERE'S SOMETHING I WANT TO TELL YOU AND...AND IT'S BIG! AND I'M SCARED BECAUSE I DON'T WANT YOU TO BE DISAPPOINTED...BUT...

...THESE BOOKS...

...THEY'RE GREAT! AND THEY MEAN SO MUCH TO ME...

...BUT I'VE REALIZED THAT THEY'RE NOT ME...THEY'RE NOT WHAT I WANT.

THIS IS WHO I AM...THIS IS WHAT I WANT...

...THIS IS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING TO ME!

BUT PETER, I...SCHOOL DOESN'T FULFILL ME! I KNOW I SAID I WANTED TO GO BACK, AND I NEEDED IT THEN -- SOMETHING TO FOCUS ON...SOMETHING TO TAKE MY MIND OFF THE --

-- OFF EVERY-THING THAT HAPPENED TO US...

...I WANT TO MODEL AGAIN, PETER. I LOVE THE EXCITEMENT AND I LOVE THE WORK. I MISS IT...

...IT FULFILLS ME! IT MAKES ME HAPPY...

THE PSYCHOLOGY OF WEB-SLINGING

BY OWEN HENRY, PhD

YOU *HAVE* THAT IN YOUR LIFE. YOU HAVE *WEBS*, AND *ACTION*, AND *ADVENTURE*...

I *NEED* SOMETHING LIKE THAT IN *MY LIFE*..!

AND *THAT'S* WHAT'S *MOST IMPORTANT* TO YOU, MJ..?

NO. *THIS* IS. IT ALWAYS *WILL* BE.

BUT TO BE *HALF* OF *THIS* EQUATION, PETER, I NEED TO BE A *WHOLE* ME. BUT I *ALSO* DON'T WANT YOU TO --

MARY JANE, I *LOVE* YOU. I'M YOUR *HUSBAND*, I WANT YOU TO BE *HAPPY* --

WHATEVER *YOU* WANT, I WANT.

IF YOU WANT TO GO BACK TO *MODELING*, THEN I GUESS I CAN GO BACK TO BEING THE ENVY OF *EVERY GUY IN THE WORLD* INSTEAD OF JUST THE GUYS IN THE *NEIGHBORHOOD*...

Mr. PARKER... WOULD YOU *MIND* IF I SHOWED YOU JUST HOW MUCH I *APPRECIATE* YOUR BEING THE MOST *SENSITIVE*, *UNDERSTANDING*, AND *CARING* HUSBAND IN THE WORLD..?

KNOCK YOURSELF OUT...

END